

# Public Workshop #2 (cont.)

## Participant Highlights

**Small group discussions** focused on each layer of the plan. The comments, observations and suggestions provided an understanding of the “why” behind the votes that would follow.

These are some of the highlights from those discussions.



### Circulation

- Support for ring road concept
- Some would like 520 to serve as the entire ring road, without widening Bear Creek Parkway
- Concern about the east and west (heron rookery, trees, Bear Creek) connections

### Transit

- Division on the relocation of the Park & Ride
- Current location provides good transit access in a central location for downtown and Education Hill residents
- Downtown is not the best place to have a Park & Ride
- Need more information

### Open Space

- Support of the open space plan
- Enhance bike and pedestrian connections (on streets, trails, midblock crossings, and between open spaces)
- Support downtown open space at gateways

### BNSF Right-of-Way

- Important to purchase the BNSF right-of-way
- Mixed use of the right-of-way including transit, open space, trails
- Connect the downtown and offer unique amenities

### Parking

- Concern about the cost and aesthetics of parking
- Provide regulated free parking
- Distribute mixed parking structures around core area, including northern section
- On-street surface lots, and mixed-use structures
- Support for surface-lot parking with green over structured parking
- Clarifications about the effectiveness of structured parking
- Parking should support local businesses